## Survey No.

Magi No.

B-2178

Maryland Historical Trust
State Historic Sites Inventory Form

MARYLAND INVENTORY OF
HISTORIC PROPERTIES

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# 7. Description

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Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

Resource Count: 1

This circa 1950, five-story parking garage sits on the NE corner of W. Saratoga and N. Sharp (an alley) streets. It abuts a partywall structure to the north and east. The garage is one bay wide on the Saratoga facade and ten bays wide on the alley side. The garage has a gridded design of white, cast concrete low walls delineating the parking levels and thick red brick rectangular piers dividing the bays. A period turquoise painted sign on the fifth story on the alley side advertises "Parking for Brown's Arcade Shops, Restaurants."

The Saratoga Street facade has a clipped corner entrance/exit. The bay is open from floor to ceiling and is flanked by brick walls supporting a cast concrete lintel (which doubles as the low wall of the second story). The second through fifth stories have slight variations cast into the low concrete walls. The second story has one horizontal groove running near the top. The third story has two horizontal grooves running near the top plus a recessed panel in the middle. The fourth story has one horizontal groove running near the top and one near the bottom. The fifth story has two horizontal grooves running near the top. The low walls mean that each parking tier is open to the elements. There is no overhead shelter on the fifth, roof-top story. There are, however, parking lights.

The west wall faces the alley. The ten bays are built in to the slope of the hill, with the result that the five-story garage is only four stories at the back (north) wall. The cast concrete low walls are identical to those on the Saratoga Street facade, including the particular groove patterns at each story. Brick piers divide the bays which, except for bays four and five which have a solid brick wall, are open to the elements. There is a second entrance in the back ninth bay. The tenth bay contains a glazed stair hall. The sign that rises from the fifth story is built as an extension of the low wall. The sign/wall has a streamlined profile.

The interior of the garage has coffered concrete ceilings supported by structural bays of thick lintels and posts. A newly built attendant's office is situated near the east wall. It is a Post Modern design with brightly painted abstracted piers, Doric columns and a pedimented roof over the west facade. The west and north walls have windows. The east wall has the doors to the office.

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This 1950s parking structure is a significant building type in the Baltimore commercial streetscape. The need for parking structures is a twentieth-century phenomenon that accompanied that rise of the automobile. The five-story height of this structure indicates the increasing density of traffic and the need for parking in the downtown district, a need for both office workers and shoppers. The garage also indicates the prevalence of commuter traffic in the downtown area in the post-War period and, as such, makes a contrast with the residential nature of the downtown in the nineteenth-century. The location of the parking structure also indicates the primacy of the Charles Street area: the structure is needed to serve Charles Street enterprises but is not an appropriate or affordable building type to actually locate on Charles Street. Thus, by implication, Saratoga Street is a lesser street in the economic hierarchy.

The style of the garage is a good example of a circa 1950s Moderne structure. The design is one of crisp blocks and bands, the lines are clean and the structural parts emphasize geometric regularity. The ornamental incised lines in the low walls pick up on this crisp, linear aesthetic as well. The marquis along the top

wall is an excellent example of 1950s signage.

The interior of the garage exposes its internal structure. The reinforced concrete posts and beams form a functional aesthetic which is deemed appropriate for the structure and is typically never covered up. In contrast, the Post-Modern attendant's booth shows a rather humorous interest in style. This utilitarian space is embellished with classical architectural motifs and bright colors.

10. Geog	raphical Data		
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11. Form	Prepared By		
name/title Diane	Shaw, Architectural	Historian	
organization	CHAP, Room 1037		December 19, 1991
street & number	417 E. Fayette Stre	et	telephone 301-396-4866
city or town	Baltimore		state MD

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 supplement.

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Maryland Historical Trust

Shaw House

21 State Circle

Annapolis, Maryland 21401

(301) 269-2438

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#### COMPREHENSIVE PLAN DATA

## **HISTORIC CONTEXT:**

Geographic Organization: Piedmont

Chronological/Developmental Period:

Modern Period, 1930-present

Historic Period Themes: Architecture Economics

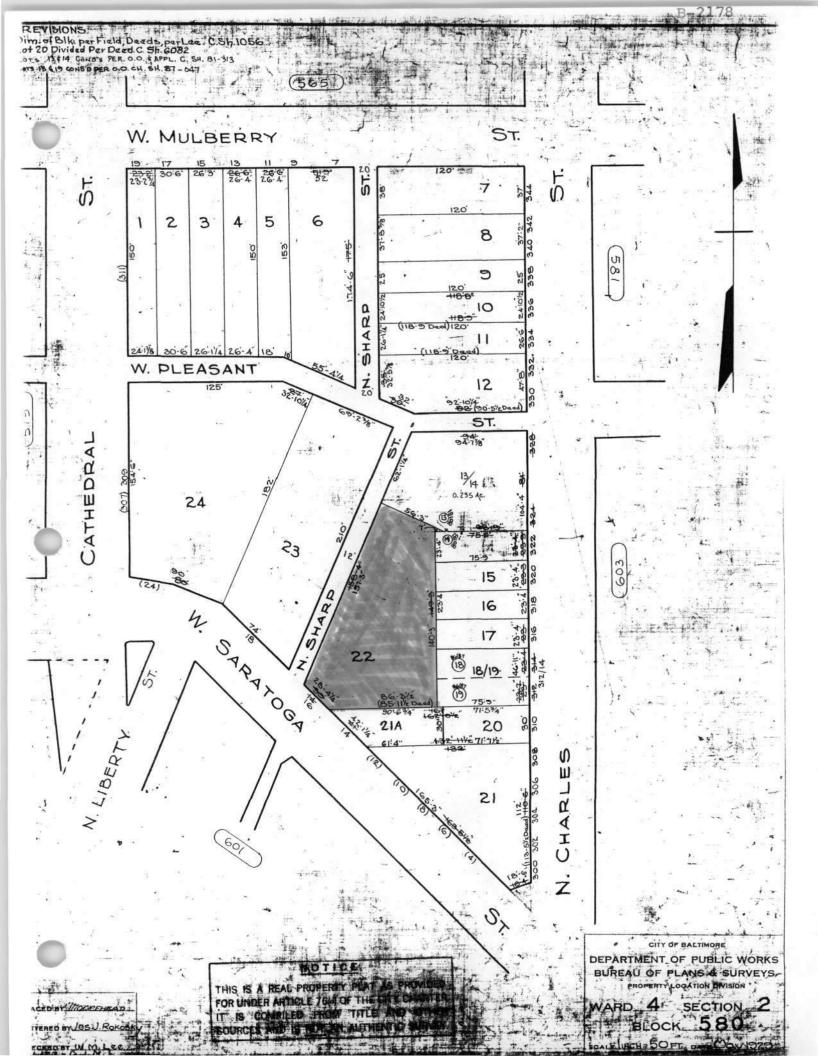
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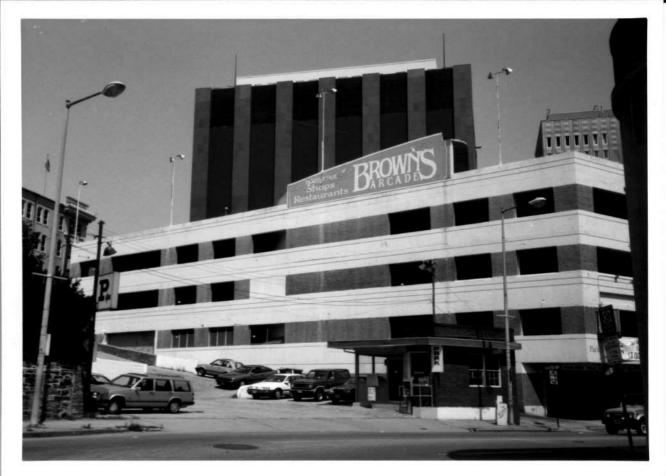
Transportation

Known Design Source: None





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BALTIMORE METROCENTER SURVEY

SURVEY NO.: B-2178

AREA: Cathedral Hill

MAGI NO.: 0421785811

Address: 16 West Saratoga Street

Current Name: Brown's Arcade Parking Garage

Block: 580 Height: 4 Lot: 22 Lot size: 28 ft. x 157 ft.

Materials: Brick and concrete

Owner: Brown's Arcade J.V. Accessible: Yes, restricted

Liber/Folio: CWM 4082/818



Historic Name: Date: ca. 1955

Condition: Good

Use: Commercial Designation:

Architect/Builder:

Style (if appropriate): Modern

Description:

The facade has alternating brick and concrete facing on each floor level with incised streamlining on the concrete portions. Brick-faced structural columns between each floor provide open-air sections for ventilation. A small roof penthouse is decorated by a painted sign and the Brown's Arcade logo. The entrance and exit are controlled by a gate and cashier's booth in a Post-Modern pedimented "temple".

Significance:

Area: Religion; education

Level: Local

The garage is on the site of the second building of St. Peter's Catholic Church, the first Catholic parish in Baltimore. The first church was located near the site of the present Baltimore City Courthouse at Calvert and Fayette Streets from about 1756 until 1775. A two-story brick "mass house", the second church was enlarged in 1784 and 1790 and became the temporary cathedral of Bishop John Carroll. It was used as a parish church after the completion of the Basilica. In 1842, the first building of Calvert Hall College was erected on the site. Designed by Robert Cary Long, the 127 ft. x 50 ft. Gothic structure had schoolrooms on the first floor and a large public hall on the second floor. In 1891, Calvert Hall moved to its second building at the corner of Cathedral and Mulberry Streets. (See B-2141.) The old building became the Southern Homeopathic Medical College and Hospital which remained until 1901 when it was converted to office space by Frank Brown, the owner of Brown's Arcade. Known as the Brown Building, it survived until the mid-20th century.

Baltimore Afire, p. 60; Baltimore News-Post, 1-6-56.

Sources: EP Md. Dept. VF (Calvert Hall)

Surveyor and Date: Janet Davis, February 1985

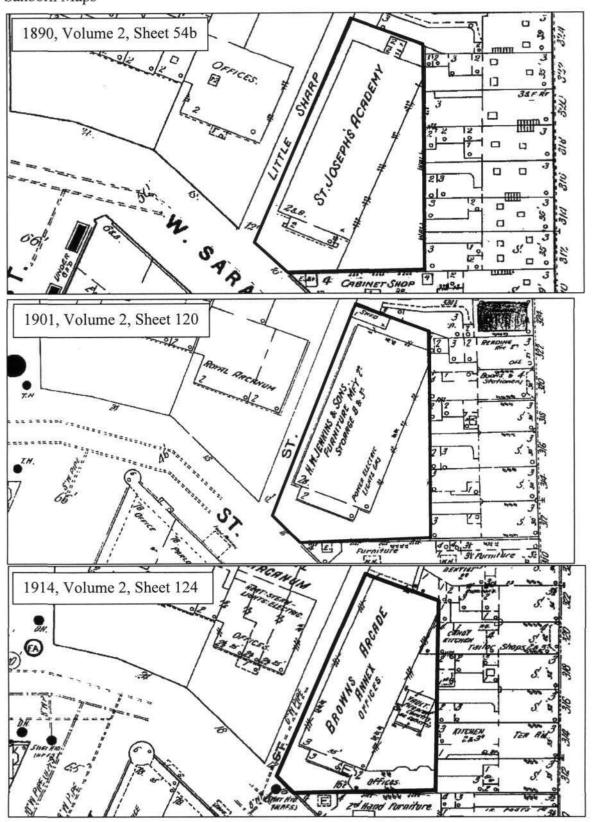


The United States Fidelity and Guaranty Company and the First National Bank established temporary offices in this former church on Saratoga Street near Cathedral. Other companies had offices in homes, boarding houses and school buildings.

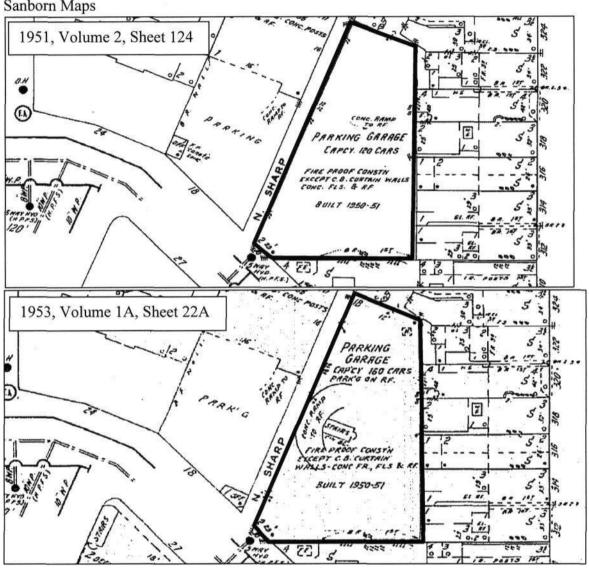
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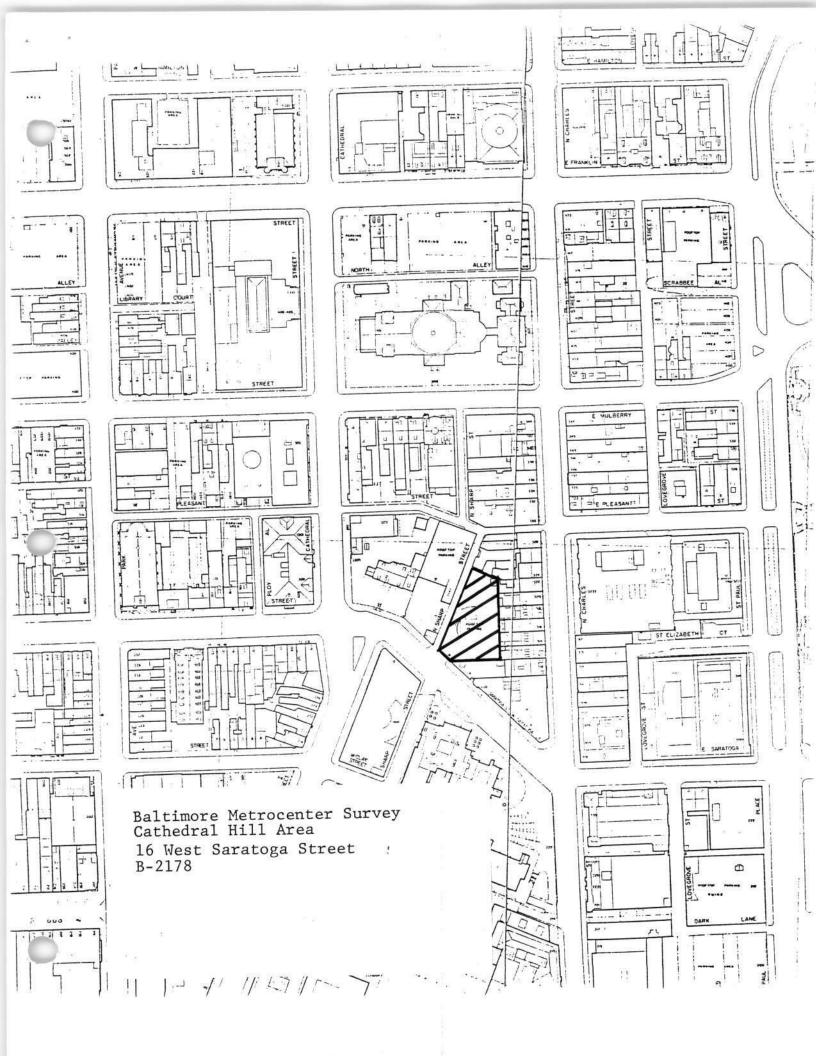
Site of 16 West Saratoga Street B-2178 Calvert Hall College Original Bldg. ca. 1904
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Brown's Arcade Garage B-2178
16 West Saratoga Street
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General view from southwest
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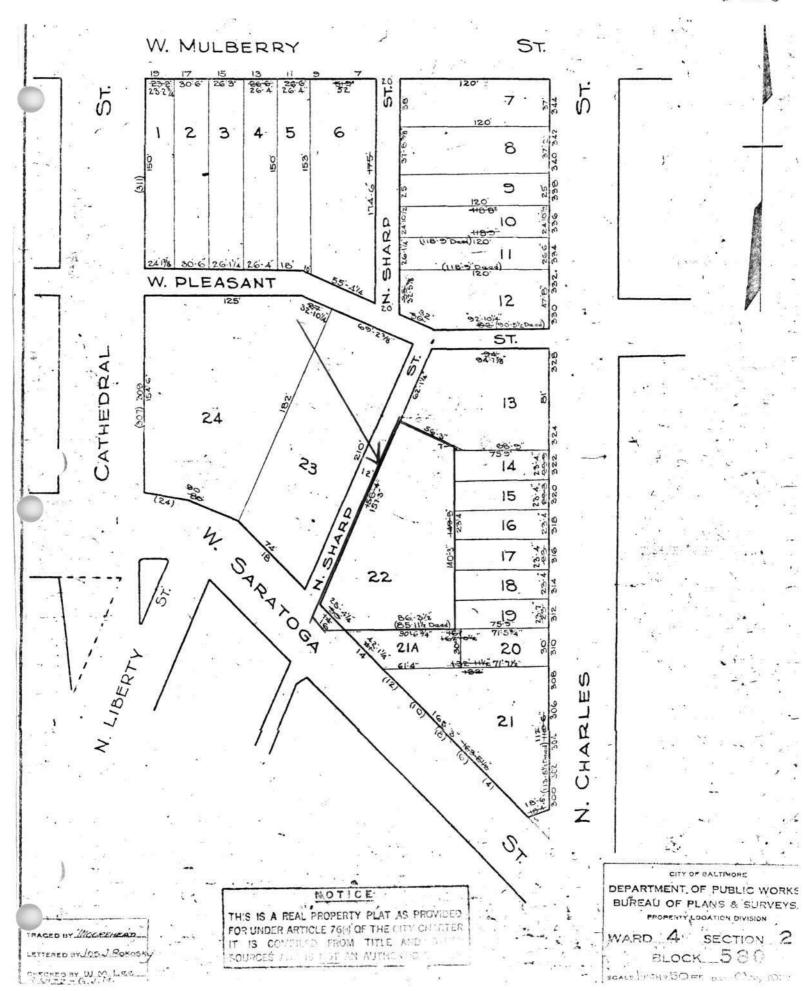
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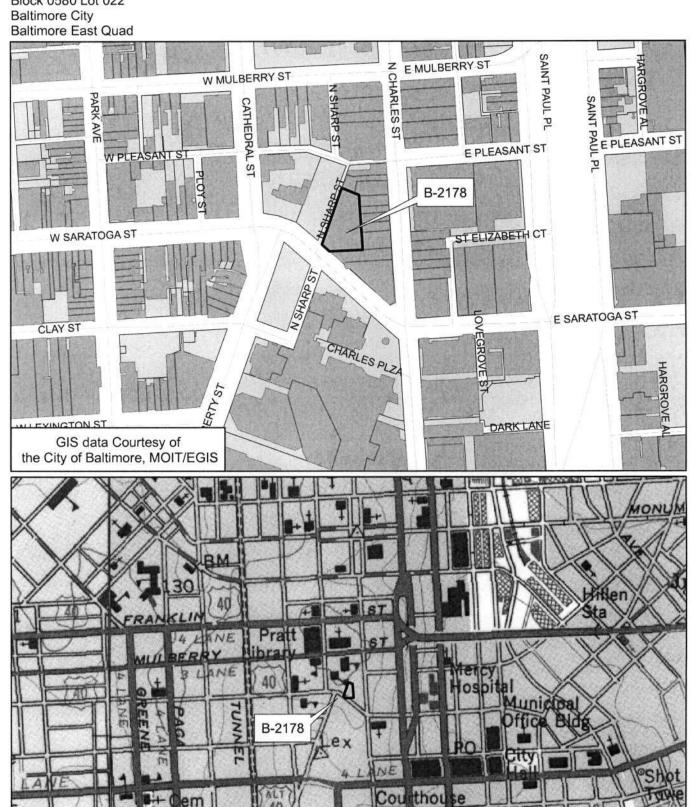
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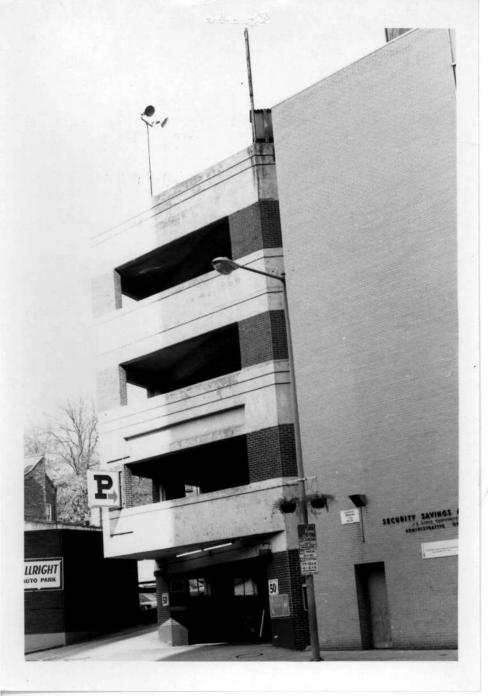


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